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-Descriptive title of the Invention  
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-Reference to Microfiche Appendix

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-Brief Summary of the Invention  
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-Claims  
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139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
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115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
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119	310	219	155	Notice of Appeal	
120	310	220	155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	270	221	135	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,240	241	620	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,240	242	620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
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☐ A certified copy of a          application.  
☒ A Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney  
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☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.  
☐ PTO Form 1449 with copies of patents cited in specification.

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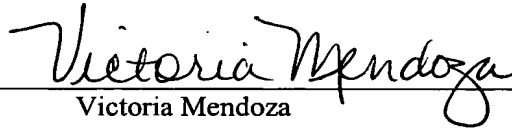
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